

Family Guy
"Brian The Bachelor" - Outline
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ACT ONE

1. INT. CLUB - NIGHT

Peter, Quagmire, and Joe take Cleveland out on the town, thinking it'll do him good to meet some women, possibly get laid. Quagmire leads them in the back door and through the kitchen in a parody of "Swingers".

Peter and Quagmire get drunk at a booth, watching Cleveland try to ask out a woman at the bar. He gets shot down, and returns to the booth, discouraged. He says he's not interested in playing the scene, he just wants to find Mrs. Right. Peter makes Cleveland do shots until he gets sick.

2. INT. KITCHEN - DAY

The Griffins eat breakfast (maybe Cleveland is passed out on the kitchen floor). Chris enters. He has his first zit. Peter thinks he should pop it on Meg. Lois thinks he should use a mild astringent. But Chris says he likes his zit. It's his friend. He's named it Doug.

3. INT. GRIFFINS' LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Brian watches Charlie Rose, when Meg rushes in and changes the channel to "The Bachelor". Brian goes on diatribe against reality shows, saying they're what's wrong with America. "It's not even reality, just cheap network manipulation." The show cuts to commercial where Tom Tucker announces that "The Bachelorette" is holding auditions in Quahog. Meg is thrilled. Peter suggests

Cleveland should try out. It could be a great way to find Mrs. Right.

Stewie reads in TV Guide that "Night Court" is now on TV Land. He's excited -- always been a fan of that show.

4. EXT. GRIFFINS' FRONT YARD - DAY

Peter helps Cleveland make a "Bachelorette" audition tape. Brian holds the mic, remarks, "It's bad enough to get suckered into watching this tripe. But to actually participate?" Quagmire stops by to show them his audition tape. He rolls a Paris Hilton-type tape of Quagmire waving to the camera as he has sex with a stranger. Quagmire reacts, upset. "Dammit, I musta taped over my audition tape! ...Oh, well, it was pretty much the exact same thing."

5. INT. BATHROOM - SAME

Chris is in front of the mirror at home, stroking his zit, when the zit unexpectedly talks back. Chris giggles, "You do talk!" The zit says "Feed me."

6. EXT/ESTAB. TV STUDIO - DAY

A long line of candidates waits to audition for "The Bachelorette".

7. INT. PRODUCERS' OFFICE - DAY

Adam West interviews with the producers.

8. INT. LOBBY - SAME

Peter, Cleveland, Quagmire, and Brian are in line. Cleveland is nervous. Peter tells him he'll be fine -- just remember their plan. Quagmire gets called in.

9. INT. OFFICE - DAY

The producers watch Quagmire's tape, appalled. They thank him and say they won't be needing him. As Quagmire exits, the producers complain they haven't seen anyone good yet, and there's only one candidate left. They call Cleveland in. During his interview, Peter, perched outside the window, loudly feeds Cleveland what he considers clever responses to the producers' questions. But the producers can hear every word he says. Peter then gets attacked by a bird, and falls off the ledge with a scream. The producers rush to the window just in time to see Brian smooth things over between Peter and the woman he landed on. The producers exchange a look, impressed by Brian.

CUT TO:

10. INT. STUDIO - DAY

The producers beg Brian to participate in "The Bachelorette." ABC is desperate. Brian reluctantly agrees.

ACT BREAK

ACT TWO1. EXT. GRIFFINS FRONT YARD - DAY

The family sees Brian off. Meg is so excited that Brian's going to be on "The Bachelorette." Chris says Doug wishes Brian luck. Brian can't believe he's doing this. He assures them he'll be the first one kicked off, and will see them in a few days. Stewie says to take his time. The limo picks him up. Maybe the muffler is dragging on the ground. ABC can't afford to get it fixed.

2. INT. BUS - DAY

Brian reads the paper in the back of the bus, trying to ignore the idiotic chat between the other excited "Bachelorette" candidates. Brian then discovers Quagmire on the bus. Brian asks how Quagmire got on the show. Quagmire says it took some finagling. Flashback to Quagmire's scheme to get on the list.

3. INT. GRIFFINS LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Stewie is watching "Night Court" with Peter, Lois, and Meg. Meg asks where Chris is. Lois tells Peter she's concerned. Chris has been spending more and more time with his zit and less with the family. Peter says it's fine. He thinks it's wonderful that Chris has a new pal.

4. INT. HALLWAY OUTSIDE CHRIS' BEDROOM - SAME

We hear Chris laughing through the door, "You're funny, Doug."

CUT TO:

5. INT. CHRIS' BEDROOM - SAME

The zit complains that he's bored. He tells Chris they need to go find some action. Chris reluctantly agrees and sneaks out his

window.

6. EXT. VILLA DRIVEWAY - NIGHT

The bachelorette, Brooke, meets each male candidate as he gets off the bus. Quagmire gets off, "Hi, pleased to do you." Brian gets off, and disinterestedly asks the bachelorette, "Which way to the bar?"

7. INT. VILLA LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

At the opening cocktail hour, Quagmire and the guys excitedly anticipate Brooke's arrival, and giddily react to how hot she is. Brian says she's exactly what you'd expect: some bimbo actress wannabe desperate for her fifteen minutes. Not interested. Brooke enters. Brian hangs out at the bar as the other guys fawn all over her.

8. EXT. SPOONER STREET - SAME - QUICK BEATS

Chris' zit convinces him to egg cars, play ding-dong ditch, and spray paint "pigs" on a cop car. The zit keeps lookout, and shouts "Run!" when he sees a cop coming up the street. Chris dashes around a corner before being seen. He giggles excitedly, "This is fun!"

9. INT. VILLA LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

The first Rose ceremony. Brian unexpectedly gets a rose. He's stunned.

10. INT. GRIFFINS - DAY

Stewie watches "Night Court" with Meg.

11. INT. CHRIS' BEDROOM - SAME

Chris tells Doug he had fun last night. Doug says to stick with him -- he'll show Chris a good time, and watch his back.

He's the only one who's got Chris' back. He tells Chris that others will try to turn Chris against him, like his parents. Chris promises Doug that will never happen.

12. EXT. THE BACHELORS' VILLA - DAY

The bachelors all hang out by the pool, waiting for the next round. General cattiness begins. Adam West wears a thong, hoping his bronzed ass cheeks might give him an advantage. Quagmire describes to the others what he's going to do this hottie. She won't be able to walk for a week. The other guys wonder if Quagmire is in this for the right reasons. Brian says Quagmire and Brooke deserve each other. And he's about ready to go home. The host enters, and announces their group date. They're going horseback riding. Guys react excitedly.

13. EXT. RANCH - DAY

The guys ride horses with Brooke, all jockeying for her attention. Quagmire, clearly a veteran at this sort of game, easily outmaneuvers the others to get next to Brooke. Brian is disgusted by the whole thing. He says he's had about enough of this contest, gets off his horse, and goes off to smoke. However, it's there that he has a chance encounter with the bachelorette. She tells Brian she hates this whole thing, and doesn't know why she even signed up. Brian is surprised. They connect briefly before being interrupted by Quagmire and the other guys who swarm Brooke and elbow Brian out of the way.

14. INT. VILLA - ROSE CEREMONY - NIGHT

Quagmire gets a rose. So does Brian. In a confessional, Brooke admits that she's intrigued by Brian.

15 INT. GRIFFINS

Lois offers Chris some Neutrogena soap to help his complexion. With prompting from his zit, Chris lashes out, "Stop trying to kill Doug!" Peter tells Chris to listen to his mother. Chris: "Doug says I don't have to listen to anyone! It's my face and I'll do whatever he wants with it!" He rubs bacon fat all over his face and runs out of the room.

Stewie is in the background laughing, "Oh, Bull. Is there anything you won't say?"

16. INT. THE BACHELORS' VILLA - DAY

Quagmire to Brian: "I thought you were going to quit." Brian makes an excuse - he figures he'd milk the accommodations for another couple days. The host enters and announces that there is going to be one private date, and one group date. He then announces the recipient of the private date: Quagmire. He'll get to cook Brooke a romantic dinner. Quagmire is elated. The other guys, and Brian, are jealous.

17. INT. BROOKE'S VILLA - NIGHT

Quagmire prepares Brooke a dinner of oysters (sprinkles some Spanish Fly on, etc). In a confessional, Brooke says she finds Quagmire funny and charming. And he seems so sweet. Like the boy next door.

18. INT. THE BACHELORS' VILLA / PRIVATE CHALET - NIGHT

Brian and the guys sit around when the host enters and says he's going to allow them to watch Quagmire's date as it unfolds. He turns on the TV, and they watch as Quagmire badmouths the other contestants to Brooke, calling Adam West a weirdo, Brian a lush,

etc. Brian blows up and yells at the TV screen. He then catches himself, and apologizes for his outburst. In the confessional, he says he doesn't really care, he just doesn't think Quagmire should win.

19. EXT. CHALET - SAME

Quagmire, now in the hot tub with Brooke, continues to charm her. He slips her a roofie and she passes out. Quagmire asks the camera crews for a little privacy as he drags her toward the bedroom.

20. EXT. SLEDDING HILL - DAY

Brian and the remaining guys are sledding with the bachelorette. Once again, Brian gets boxed out. He then cuts through some trees and sleds up alongside Brooke. She says it's cute to see Brian making an effort this time. Brian denies making any effort. He then gets cut off by the other guys, and winds up in an embankment. Furious, Brian throws down his mittens.

CONFESSIOAL: Brian laughs, saying he threw down his mittens really as a joke...ironically. He thinks it's hilarious how other guys will humiliate themselves on national television for this woman they barely know.

21. EXT. SPOONER STREET - NIGHT

Chris' zit, now bigger, tells Chris to cut the brake lines on Mort Goldman's car. Chris obeys. Mort leave the pharmacy parking lot, loses control, and gets into a spectacular accident, crashing into Joe's house. Chris, however, left his hat in the car, and he gets busted. As everyone in the neighborhood angrily blames Chris, he says Doug told him to do it. He tries to get Doug to

admit it, but Doug is silent. Chris takes all the blame -- he gets grounded for a week.

22. INT. ROSE CEREMONY - NIGHT

At the rose ceremony, nervous-looking Brian gets a rose. He's thrilled.

23. CONFSSIONAL - SAME

Brian admits he could see himself spending the rest of his life with Brooke.

ACT BREAK

ACT THREE

Open on "The Bachelorette" titles and recap.

1. INT. THE GUYS' VILLA - DAY

The host says only two bachelors remain: Brian and Quagmire. And it's time for the bachelorette to meet their families. Both Quagmire and Brian are nervous.

2. EXT. THE GRIFFINS - NIGHT

TV cameras are set up on the lawn, as the bachelorette arrives, now in a Ford Topaz because ABC's limo got repossessed.

3. INT. GRIFFINS LIVING ROOM - SAME

Brian is a bundle of nerves. He asks the family not to screw this up for him. It's extremely important. The family agrees to be on their best behavior. Brian introduces Brooke.

4. INT. DINING ROOM - NIGHT

At dinner, Peter tells Brooke what a great guy Quagmire is. Brian awkwardly tries to highlight his own good qualities. Chris's zit is now huge, and it tells Chris to lift up Brooke's dress. Chris obeys. Lois confronts Chris about his behavior. Chris makes a scene, knocking the food off the table. Lois starts to cry, saying she's lost her son. CONFSSIONAL: Brian admits the night was a disaster. His family probably just ruined probably the most important night of his life.

5. INT. CHRIS' BEDROOM - NIGHT

Chris tells Doug he shouldn't have made his mom cry. Doug threatens Chris. Chris is frightened, realizes Doug is bad.

6. EXT. VILLA - NIGHT

It's the final Rose Ceremony on a promontory overlooking the

ocean. Quagmire gets down on one knee and proposes to Brooke. She rejects him, telling him she's in love with someone else. Quagmire exits, crushed.

CONFESSIOAL: Brooke admits she wasn't crazy about Quagmire's family. We cutaway to a scene of Quagmire in a heated argument with his parents over who should feed the cat.

Brian then comes out. He proposes, and begs her to overlook his family. She accepts. Brian is ecstatic.

7. INT. FORD TOPAZ - NIGHT

Quagmire tries to hold it together. He just wishes Brooke could've seen the real him, the guy off-camera. Sniffling, he says he knows there's someone out there for Quagmire. The driver agrees. Quagmire says he was talking about the prostitute on the corner, and asks the driver to stop.

8. EXT. BEACH CLIFF

Brian says Brooke just made him the happiest dog in the world. They share a long, impassioned kiss as the host bids viewers farewell from "The Bachelorette". As soon as the cameras go down, however, the bachelorette breaks the kiss, wipes her mouth, collects her purse and heads off. Brian: "Aren't we going to share the rest of our life together?" Brooke: "Are you kidding? This was all just to me some media exposure." Her agent calls telling her she's got an offer for a sitcom. Brian is taken aback -- She must be joking.

9. INT. GRIFFINS - DAY

Brian tries calling Brooke but she won't take his calls.

10. INT. CITY BUS - DAY

Chris rides the bus. Doug asks where the hell they're going. Chris says to the bacon store. Then to the amusement park. Chris, however, gets off at the dermatology clinic. He tells a suspicious Doug they have bacon fat on sale inside.

11. EXT. BROOKE'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Brian tries serenading Brooke, but cops come and haul him off.

12. INT. DERMATOLOGIST'S OFFICE - DAY

Chris is in the office, assuring Doug this is where you wait for your order of bacon fat. But when the doctor enters, Doug realizes what's going on. "You traitor!" Chris begs the doctor to get rid of his zit. The doctor takes out a syringe of cortizone. Doug says two can play at that game, and pulls out a gun, and fires at the doctor, missing. He then turns the gun on Chris, holding it to his head. A dramatic stand-off ensues, until Chris knocks the gun away from Doug, wrestles him to the floor, and stabs him with the syringe, killing the zit.

13. INT. GRIFFINS LIVING ROOM - DAY

Brian watches despondently as Brooke does "Regis And Kelly". Stewie joins him on the couch. He says Brian has no chance. He's never going to get her back. He got taken, and it's going to hurt. But it might hurt a little less knowing that Stewie got her back. Brian asks what Stewie means. Stewie says watch what happens when those hot studio lights hit Brooke's bra. He admits putting popcorn in her bra. They watch as Brooke chats with Regis when her bra starts popping and swelling like a Jiffy Pop tin. Brian thanks Stewie.

END OF SHOW